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Before: THE HONORABLE JAMES C. FRANCIS IV
United States Magistrate Judge
Southern District of New York

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	**SEALED COMPLAINT**
- v. -	:	Violations of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(b)(1)(A)
ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," SHARON MIRANDA, a/k/a "Charo" ROBERT ORTIZ, VICTOR CARRION, ROLANDO LUGO, and LUIS DELGADO, a/k/a "Chuchi,"	:	COUNTY OF OFFENSE: BRONX
Defendant.	:	

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, ss.:

NELSON PABON, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is a Taskforce Officer with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration ("DEA"), and charges as follows:

COUNT ONE

1. From at least in or about April 2015 up to and including in or about April 2016, in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," SHARON MIRANDA, a/k/a "Charo," ROBERT ORTIZ, VICTOR CARRION, ROLANDO LUGO, and LUIS DELGADO, a/k/a "Chuchi," the defendants, and others known and unknown, intentionally and knowingly did combine, conspire, confederate and agree together and with each other to violate the narcotics laws of the United States.

2. It was a part and an object of the conspiracy that ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," SHARON MIRANDA, a/k/a "Charo," ROBERT ORTIZ, VICTOR CARRION, ROLANDO LUGO, and LUIS DELGADO, a/k/a "Chuchi," the defendants, and others known and unknown, would and did distribute and possess with the intent to distribute controlled substances in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

3. The controlled substance that ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," SHARON MIRANDA, a/k/a "Charo," ROBERT ORTIZ, VICTOR CARRION, ROLANDO LUGO, and LUIS DELGADO, a/k/a "Chuchi," the defendants, conspired to distribute and possess with the intent to distribute was one kilogram and more of mixtures and substances containing a detectable amount of heroin, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(b)(1)(A).

(Title 21, United States Code, Section 846.)

The bases for my knowledge and for the foregoing charge are, in part, as follows:

4. I am Taskforce Officer with the DEA and have been for approximately three years. I am one of the agents with primary responsibility for the investigation of this case. Before joining the DEA, I served as a Detective with the New York City Police Department ("NYPD") for approximately fourteen years. Based on my experience as a Taskforce Officer and Detective with the NYPD, I have become familiar with the means and mechanisms used in narcotics trafficking.

5. I have been personally involved in the investigation of this matter. This affidavit is based upon my conversations with other law enforcement agents, my examination of reports and records, and my personal participation in the investigation of this matter. Because this affidavit is being submitted for the limited purpose of establishing probable cause, it does not include all the facts that I have learned during the course of my investigation. Where the contents of documents and the actions, statements, and conversations of others are reported herein, they are reported in substance and in part, except where otherwise indicated.

Background

6. This investigation concerns the distribution of heroin, including a brand of heroin with a stamp depicting the

logo "Top 10" in red ink (the "Top 10 Logo"). For the reasons described in greater detail below, I believe that ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," the defendant, packages and sells heroin, including heroin with the Top 10 Logo, and has conspired to distribute that heroin through and with the assistance of multiple other individuals including SHARON MIRANDA, a/k/a "Charo," ROBERT ORTIZ, VICTOR CARRION, ROLANDO LUGO, and LUIS DELGADO, a/k/a "Chuchi," the defendants. Based on the aggregation of undercover purchases of heroin and sales discussed in intercepted communications, I believe that the scope of the conspiracy involves one kilogram and more of heroin.

7. As part of this investigation, wiretaps of a cellular telephone used by ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," the defendant, were approved by the Honorable George B. Daniels, United States District Judge, Southern District of New York, on or about October 9, 2015, and by the Honorable Paul A. Engelmayer, United States District Judge, Southern District of New York, on or about February 24, 2016 (collectively, the "Intercept Orders"). Each of the Intercept Orders authorized a thirty-day period of interception of the same telephone number (the "Maldonado Number").

Confidential Informants

8. As part of this investigation, other law enforcement officers and I have debriefed two confidential informants ("CI-1" and "CI-2")). Based on my conversations with those agents, with CI-1, and with CI-2, I have learned the following, in substance and in part:[1]

a. CI-1 is acquainted with ROBERT ORTIZ, the defendant, and has purchased heroin from ORTIZ in the past.

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[1] CI-1 and CI-2 are currently cooperating with law enforcement in exchange for monetary compensation. CI-1 has been cooperating with law enforcement for approximately nine months. CI-2 has been cooperating with law enforcement for over a year. Information provided by CI-1 and CI-2 has proven reliable and has been corroborated, in part, by information provided by other confidential informants, surveillance, and recordings of telephone conversations and meetings, some of which are discussed below. CI-1 does not have a criminal record. CI-2 has disorderly-conduct convictions in 1999 and 2012.

b. CI-1 knows ORTIZ to possess a firearm.

c. On or about March 22, 2016, CI-1 met with ORTIZ in the vicinity of 1147 White Plains Road, in the Bronx, New York (the "Ortiz Residence"). The meeting occurred at the direction of law enforcement but was not recorded. During the meeting, ORTIZ told CI-1, in substance and in part, that ORTIZ kept a firearm taped underneath a table in his residence. CI-1 asked ORTIZ whether ORTIZ could provide CI-1 with a firearm. ORTIZ responded, in substance and in part, that he had a contact who could sell CI-1 a firearm. CI-1 also observed ORTIZ sell what appeared to be two bundles[2] of heroin to another individual.

d. CI-2 is acquainted with ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," the defendant, and has purchased heroin from MALDONADO in the past.

e. Based in part on CI-2's relationship with MALDONADO, CI-2 knows MALDONADO to use the Maldonado Number.

ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino"

9. Based on my participation in this investigation, conversations with other law enforcement agents, and debriefings with CI-1 and CI-2, I have learned that the following purchases of heroin were made from ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," the defendant, at the direction of law enforcement:

a. On or about June 4, 2015, CI-2 met with MALDONADO in the vicinity of White Plains Road and Watson Avenue in the Bronx, New York. Law enforcement conducted physical surveillance of the meeting, which was also recorded. The following, in substance and in part, occurred during and around the time of the meeting:

i. Before the meeting, law enforcement confirmed that CI-2 did not possess any contraband and gave CI-2 approximately $960.

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[2] Heroin is generally sold in small bags called "glassines." Ten glassines are colloquially referred to as a "bundle" of heroin. A bundle of heroin typically contains around 1 gram of heroin.

ii. Law enforcement observed CI-2 exit CI-2's vehicle and walk to a vehicle being driven by MALDONADO (the "Minivan"), which was parked in the vicinity of the intersection of White Plains Road and Watson Avenue in the Bronx, New York. While in the Minivan, CI-2 gave MALDONADO approximately $960, and SHARON MIRANDA, the defendant, who was also present in the Minivan, gave CI-2 approximately 16 bundles of a substance that subsequently tested positive for the presence of heroin. The Top 10 Logo was printed on the bundles.

iii. CI-2 asked MALDONADO, in substance and in part, whether MALDONADO could sell heroin to CI-2 in grams as opposed to bundles. MALDONADO responded, in substance and in part, that he made more money selling bundles but would give CI-2 a discount if CI-2 purchased 100 bundles at a time.

iv. CI-2 observed MIRANDA handle additional packages containing bundles of heroin while in the Minivan.

b. On or about July 6, 2015, CI-2 met with MALDONADO in the vicinity of White Plains Road and Watson Avenue in the Bronx, New York. Law enforcement conducted physical surveillance of the meeting, which was also recorded. The following, in substance and in part, occurred during and around the time of the meeting:

i. Before the meeting, an undercover law enforcement agent ("UC-1") was given approximately $1,500. During the meeting, CI-2, among other things, introduced MALDONADO to UC-1.

ii. CI-2 and UC-1 walked to the Minivan, which was parked in the vicinity of the intersection of White Plains Road and Watson Avenue in the Bronx, New York. MALDONADO and MIRANDA were preset in the Minivan. While in the Minivan, UC-1 gave MALDONADO approximately $1,500, and MIRANDA gave UC-1 approximately 25 bundles of a substance that later tested positive for the presence of heroin. The Top 10 Logo was printed on the bundles.

c. On or about July 21, 2015, UC-1 met with MALDONADO in the vicinity of Pugsley Avenue and Watson Avenue in the Bronx, New York. Law enforcement conducted physical surveillance of the meeting, which was also recorded. During the meeting, UC-1 entered the Minivan, which MALDONADO was driving. UC-1 then gave MALDONADO approximately $2,500 in exchange for approximately 42 bundles of a substance that subsequently tested positive for the presence of heroin. The Top 10 Logo was printed on the bundles.

d. On or about August 5, 2015, UC-1 received a call from MALDONADO in which MALDONADO told UC-1, in substance and in part, to meet him in the vicinity of Adee Avenue and White Plains Road in the Bronx, New York, to complete a previously discussed drug deal in which MALDONADO stated that he would give UC-1 approximately 42 bundles of heroin in exchange for $2,500. Later that day, UC-1 drove to the vicinity of Adee Avenue and White Plains Road in the Bronx, New York. Law enforcement conducted physical surveillance and observed two individuals ("CC-1" and "CC-2") approach UC-1's vehicle. CC-1 then gave the UC approximately 42 bundles of a substance that later tested positive for the presence of heroin in exchange for approximately $2,500. The bundles were stamped with the Top 10 Logo.

e. On or about March 21, 2016, CI-2 called the Maldonado Number to arrange a sale. CI-2 then met with MALDONADO in the vicinity of White Plains Road and Watson Avenue in the Bronx, New York. Law enforcement conducted physical surveillance of the meeting. The following, in substance and in part, occurred during and around the time of the meeting:

i. Before the meeting, law enforcement agents confirmed that CI-2 did not possess any contraband and gave CI-2 approximately $600.

ii. Law enforcement agents observed CI-2 enter the Minivan. While in the Minivan, MALDONADO gave CI-2 approximately 10 bundles of a substance that later tested positive for the presence of heroin in exchange for $600. The bundles were stamped with the Top Ten Logo.

10. I have reviewed multiple communications intercepted pursuant to the Intercept Orders in which ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," discusses the sale of quantities of heroin to other individuals. Certain of those communications are discussed below in this Complaint.

SHARON MIRANDA, a/k/a "Charo"

11. I have reviewed multiple communications intercepted pursuant to the Intercept Orders in which ANTONIO

MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," and SHARON MIRANDA, a/k/a "Charo," the defendants, discuss their heroin business. For example:

a. On or about October 16, 2015, MIRANDA called MALDONADO and stated, in part, "I have three hundred. It sold quickly. It's not my fault that it's good, fuck."

b. On or about October 17, 2015, MALDONADO placed an outgoing call to MIRANDA. The following conversation, in substance and in part, occurred:

MALDONADO: I have to take care of a few things.

MIRANDA: Okay, but don't leave me waiting for two hours, do things close by. I am having problems injecting myself. I will have to start sniffing.

MALDONADO: What?

MIRANDA: I am having problems injecting myself.

MALDONADO: Stop.

MIRANDA: If I stop I won't sell.

MALDONADO: Huh?

MIRANDA: If I stop I will stop everything.

MALDONADO: That's backward. If you stop you keep going and make money. Stupid, learn how to make money, damn. You are stupid.

Based on my training and experience, I believe that MIRANDA is telling MALDONADO that she is having problems injecting heroin. ("*I am having problems injecting myself. I will have to start sniffing.*"). MALDONADO tells her, in substance and in part, to stop using heroin and focus on selling it. ("*That's backward. If you stop you keep going and make money. Stupid, learn how to make money, damn. You are stupid.*").

c. On or about March 16, 2016, MALDONADO called MIRANDA and stated, in part, "I need a good pitcher" and "I only have two." MIRANDA responded, "I told you, I'm going into it again, so take it easy." MALDONADO responded, "Get me someone good." Based on my training and experience, I believe that

MALDONADO was asking MIRANDA to find him a "pitcher," that is, someone to sell his drugs at a retail level to customers.

ROBERT ORTIZ

12. On or about April 23, 2015, another law enforcement officer ("Officer-1") and I conducted physical surveillance in the vicinity of 1147 White Plains Road. Based on my conversations with Officer-1, I understand that, while conducting surveillance, Officer-1 observed ROBERT ORTIZ, the defendant, speak to an individual later identified as ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," the defendant, in the Minivan. Officer-1 also observed an individual later identified as SHARON MIRANDA, the defendant, in the passenger seat of the Minivan. Based on my training and experience, and based on facts described below, I believe that ORTIZ was coordinating a narcotics purchase from MALDONADO.

13. Based on my participation in this investigation, conversations with other law enforcement agents, and debriefings with CI-1 and CI-2, I have learned, in part, that the following purchases of heroin were made from ROBERT ORTIZ, the defendant, at the direction of law enforcement:

a. On or about April 20, 2015, CI-1 met with ROBERT ORTIZ, the defendant, in the vicinity of 1147 White Plains Road in the Bronx, New York. The meeting was recorded, and law enforcement conducted physical surveillance. Before the meeting, law enforcement confirmed that CI-1 did not possess any contraband and gave CI-1 approximately $400. During the meeting, CI-1 gave ORTIZ approximately $400 and received approximately four bundles of a substance that later tested positive for the presence of heroin. The bundles were stamped with the Top 10 Logo.

b. On or about June 2, 2015, CI-1 met with ROBERT ORTIZ, the defendant, in the vicinity of 1147 White Plains Road in the Bronx, New York. The meeting was recorded, and law enforcement conducted physical surveillance. Before the meeting, law enforcement confirmed that CI-1 did not possess any contraband and gave CI-1 approximately $400. During the meeting, CI-1 entered a residence located in the vicinity of 1147 White Plains Road in the Bronx, New York. While in the residence, CI-1 gave ORTIZ approximately $400 and received approximately four bundles and four glassines of a substance that later tested positive for the presence of heroin. The bundles were stamped with the Top 10 Logo.

14. I have reviewed multiple communications intercepted pursuant to the Intercept Orders in which ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," and ROBERT ORTIZ, the defendants, discuss their heroin business.[3] For example:

a. On or about October 16, 2015, MALDONADO called ORTIZ and told him, in part, "Something awesome came out." ORTIZ responded, "Yes. Okay, let me see if I get rid of this. You already know in two or three days and I will see." Based on my training and experience, I believe MALDONADO to be telling ORTIZ that he had a high quality heroin ("something awesome came in"); ORTIZ then tells MALDONADO that he will "get rid of," or sell, his current supply so that he can sell MALDONADO's newer batch of heroin.

b. On or about October 31, 2015, MALDONADO called ORTIZ and asked ORTIZ, in substance and in part, how "many [ORTIZ] [had] left." ORTIZ responded, "When you called me on Friday, I told you I had four left. Then I sold them that same day, so I called you the next day. Then you came and brought me and I gave you the money." Based on my training and experience, I believe that ORTIZ is referencing bundles of heroin when he says that he has "four left."

c. On or about March 2, 2016, MALDONADO called ORTIZ. During the call, the following conversation occurred:

ORTIZ: I'm still good, I still have some. [UI] yesterday, brother.

MALDONADO: I'm not talking about that.

ORTIZ: Oh, okay, I'm good. People are liking it, everyone is saying it's good.

MALDONADO: That's not the problem. Problem is I have nothing, I left you all that was left.

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[3] ORTIZ used multiple phone numbers during the duration of the Intercept Orders. ORTIZ's identity was determined by voice recognition and debriefings with CI-1, who knew multiple numbers used by ORTIZ.

ORTIZ: I have like 16 left.

MALDONADO: Let me explain. About 7 people have called me saying you're not there.

ORTIZ: But I have stuff to do, bro.

MALDONADO: Yeah, but come on, leave someone there!

Based on my training and experience, I believe that ORTIZ is telling MALDONADO that the heroin MALDONADO had supplied him with was selling well ("*people are liking it*"), and that ORTIZ had 16 bundles of heroin left ("*I have like 16 left*"). MALDONADO complains to ORTIZ, however, that customers had called MALDONADO because they were unable to contact ORTIZ to make purchases ("*About 7 people have called me saying you're not there.*").

VICTOR CARRION

15. I have reviewed multiple communications intercepted pursuant to the Intercept Orders in which ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," and VICTOR CARRION, the defendants, discuss their heroin business. For example:

a. On or about February 27, 2016, MALDONADO received a call from an individual later identified as CARRION, who stated that he had a "friend" who wanted "like 200 or 300," which I believe to refer to bundles of heroin.

b. On or about March 21, 2016, the following conversation, in substance and in part, occurred between MALDONADO and CARRION:

MALDONADO: I will give you a call when I am around there, you heard?

CARRION: But is it different?

MALDONADO: I don't know.

CARRION: So bring me something that I can check because there was something wrong with the other one.

MALDONADO: What was wrong with it?

CARRION: The other one is causing me problems.

MALDONADO: The one that I gave you?

CARRION: Yes.

MALDONADO: It's not the same thing. I sold all of it.

CARRION: It causing me problems and shit.

MALDONADO: I don't know why it would be causing problems.

CARRION: I don't know what is going on with these people, they are probably accustomed to something else.

MALDONADO: I don't know what you are used to because everyday something new comes in and I don't know what the hell is going on.

CARRION: I don't know.

MALDONADO: I don't know bro. Check it, if you like it and if not give it back to me.

Based on my training and experience, I believe that CARRION is telling MALDONADO that CARRION has had problems selling heroin supplied by MALDONADO ("*it's causing me problems and shit*").

c. On or about March 22, 2016, the following conversation, in substance and in part, occurred between MALDONADO and CARRION:

CARRION: Yes, to see.... I don't know what it's wrong with these people. Bring me a 5.0 to see what's up.

MALDONADO: No, those are tires of 100.

CARRION: Only 100?

MALDONADO: Yes. Somebody brought me two tires. I'm going to bring them for you to check them.

CARRION: Okay, bring them, what do I have to do?

MALDONADO: I'm going to bring them for you to check/test them and if they are good, you can keep them. [VOICES OVERLAP]

CARRION: Yeah.

MALDONADO: [UI]

CARRION: Call me early, around 8:30

Based on my training and experience, I believe that CARRION is asking to purchase 50 bundles of heroin (a "5.0") from MALDONADO. MALDONADO, however, tells CARRION that he needs to purchase 100 bundles instead ("CARRION: Only 100? MALDONADO: Yes.").

16. Based on my conversations with other law enforcement agents and my review of surveillance reports, I have learned that, on or about March 1, 2016, law enforcement agents intercepted a series of calls between ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," and VICTOR CARRION, the defendants, in which MALDONADO and CARRION discussed meeting. Based in part on those calls, law enforcement agents conducted surveillance and observed MALDONADO meet with CARRION. Law enforcement agents observed CARRION enter the Minivan, leave, and return to his vehicle during the meeting. Law enforcement agents subsequently conducted a traffic stop in which CARRION provided a driver's license listing his name.

17. Based on my conversations with other law enforcement agents and my review of surveillance reports, I have learned that, on or about March 23, 2016, law enforcement agents observed ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," the defendant, meet with VICTOR CARRION, the defendant, in the vicinity of 824 Allerton Avenue in the Bronx, New York. During the meeting, MALDONADO handed CARRION a brown softball-sized package. Law enforcement agents subsequently observed CARRION return to a residence in the vicinity of 2444 Matthews Avenue in the Bronx, New York and take the package into the building with him.

ROLANDO LUGO

18. Based on my review of communications intercepted pursuant to the Intercept Orders, I have learned that ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," the defendant, received an incoming call from an individual later identified as ROLANDO LUGO, the defendant, on or about October 20, 2015. During the call, the following conversation, in substance and in part, occurred:

LUGO: Good day, Chino.

MALDONADO: What are you doing, dude?

LUGO: Listen, Chino is 'it' the same as what you gave me before.... the material [narcotics]?

MALDONADO: Of course.

LUGO: I don't know there is somebody here that has something.... alright. Anyway, prepare 50 for me.

MALDONADO: Okay.

MALDONADO and LUGO also discussed, in substance and in part, the need to find reliable pitchers, or retail narcotics distributors. LUGO stated, for example, that he "gave five to a buddy of mine ... and to this date I have not seen him." LUGO continued, "I already told his woman, 'When I see him if he doesn't have my money there is going to be an issue with me.'" Based on my training and experience, I believe that LUGO was discussing a purchase of approximately 50 bundles of heroin from MALDONADO ("*prepare 50 for me*"), as well as his role in reselling heroin purchased from MALDONADO.

19. During subsequent calls, ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," and ROLANDO LUGO, the defendants, discussed their joint narcotics business. On or about November 6, 2015, for example, the following conversation, in substance and in part, occurred:

LUGO: And how is that?

MALDONADO: It's moving well. A while ago they took 100. Even Charo came.

LUGO: Charo?

MALDONADO: She took ten.

LUGO: That slut.

MALDONADO: She is coming up. She took there and came out like, "Fuck this is hard." She had such a high on her way to the train. I was scared she was so high.

LUGO: I was going to talk to you to see if you change the stamp. People over here are not going on that.

MALDONADO: I can put another stamp.

LUGO: Alright.

MALDONADO: Yeah but for stuff like that you gotta tell me with time.

LUGO: Yeah, I will go on Sunday. I will see you on Sunday.

MALDONADO: You have to tell me when you are coming for me to know what I'm going to do.

LUGO: I'm coming over. I'll call you.

MALDONADO: Warn me one or two days before for me to know what I am going to do. I want to do that fresh.

LUGO: I'll call you tomorrow and tell you at what time.

MALDONADO: Call me tomorrow and say yeah one. Then I sit down and do it, because I am not going to have that sitting there doing nothing.

LUGO: But make that work.

MALDONADO: But it's moving well. This one is strong.

LUGO: The other one is not.

MALDONADO: It's that people are accustomed to the black one. The black one fucked everyone up. I am sure that no one has something this strong.

LUGO: I'll keep on. I'll keep getting.

MALDONADO: I'm telling you Charo left... She came like two hours ago. She left poisoned. She got two hits of that shit and I was scared. I said, "This chick is crazy." She said, "See you in two days." I don't know how it's not moving for you. She comes every two days, "Give me ten. Give me ten. Give me ten"

Based on my training and experience, I believe that MALDONADO is referring to the sale of 100 bundles of heroin when he says "they took 100," and is specifically stating that SHARON MIRANDA, a/k/a "Charo," the defendant, has been purchasing approximately ten bundles of heroin every two days (which she, in part, uses, resulting her leaving "poisoned"). LUGO, moreover, asks MALDONADO to change the "stamp" (that is, the Top 10 Logo) for his product, which MALDONADO agrees to do.

20. Based on my review of communications intercepted pursuant to the Intercept Orders, I have learned, on or about November 8, 2015, ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," the defendant, received a call from ROLANDO LUGO, the defendant, in which LUGO stated, in substance and in part, "Give me... Make me forty for tomorrow." After another intercepted call in which MALDONADO told LUGO, in substance and in part, to meet him at a particular location, law enforcement agents observed LUGO enter the front passenger seat of the Minivan and later exit carrying a black plastic bag in his hand and place the bag into his backpack. I subsequently stopped LUGO, received oral consent to search his backpack, and recovered a black plastic bag containing approximately forty bundles of a substance that later tested positive for the presence of heroin. The bundles contained the Top 10 Logo. LUGO was subsequently placed under arrest but later released.

LUIS DELGADO, a/k/a "Chuchi"

21. Based on my review of communications intercepted pursuant to the Intercept Orders, I have learned that ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," the defendant, placed an outgoing call to an individual later identified as LUIS DELGADO, a/k/a "Chuchi," the defendant, on or about October 23, 2015. During the call, the following conversation, in substance and in part, occurred:

DELGADO: Hey Chino, how are you?

MALDONADO: What are doing?

DELGADO: Going around here. What are you doing?

MALDONADO: Um, this people... Don't you have work?

DELGADO: Yes, I have work. I am going over there now.

MALDONADO: The people are calling me.

DELGADO: Yes because I didn't have. The faggot brought me now. I didn't have to go and get it because they are [UI]. I am going to the block, I'll talk to you over there, bye.

MALDONADO: Look.

DELGADO: Uh-hum.

MALDONADO: Are you going to the block now?

DELGADO: Now, I'll be there in 10 minutes.

MALDONADO: I am going to leave you work so you can work.

DELGADO: I'll call you.

MALDONADO: Hello?

DELGADO: Okay, bye.

Based on my training and experience, I believe that MALDONADO is telling DELGADO in this call that MALDONADO will supply him with heroin (which he refers to as "work") for DELGADO to resell ("*I am going to leave you work so you can work.*").

22. Based on my conversations with other law enforcement agents and review of surveillance reports, I have learned that, on or about March 7, 2016:

a. Law enforcement agents observed ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," the defendant, meet with LUIS DELGADO, a/k/a "Chuchi," the defendant, in the Minivan, which was parked in the vicinity of Gleason Avenue and Pugsley Avenue in the Bronx, New York.

b. Law enforcement officers subsequently observed DELGADO exit the Minivan and enter another nearby vehicle, and sit in the driver's seat with the door open. Law enforcement officers subsequently observed approximately three individuals, who had been waiting by the vehicle, walk up to DELGADO one at a time and walk away from the vehicle after a brief meeting. Based on my training and experience, I believe that these individuals were purchasing heroin from DELGADO, which DELGADO had just acquired from MALDONADO.

c. Later in the day, I called DELGADO's phone and observed DELGADO answer my call.

WHEREFORE, affiant prays that arrest warrants be issued for ANTONIO MALDONADO, a/k/a "Chino," SHARON MIRANDA, a/k/a "Charo," ROBERT ORTIZ, ROLANDO LUGO, and LUIS DELGADO, a/k/a "Chuchi," the above-named defendants, and that they be arrested and imprisoned, or bailed, as the case may be.

NELSON PABON
TASKFORCE OFFICER
DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION

Sworn to before me this
1st day of April, 2016

THE HONORABLE JAMES C. FRANCIS IV
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK